



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

ST JAMES-SANTEE ELEMENTARY
Charleston
Grades: PK-6 **Enrollment: 209**
Principal: Christopher D. Swetckie
Superintendent: Dr. Nancy J. McGinley
Board Chair: Mrs. Ruth Jordan

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Below Average	Below Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	CSI-DELAY
2008	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CSI

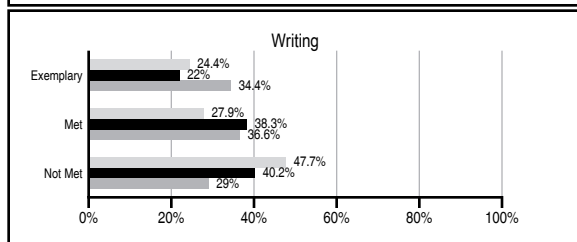
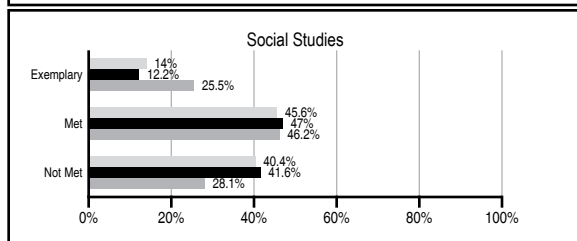
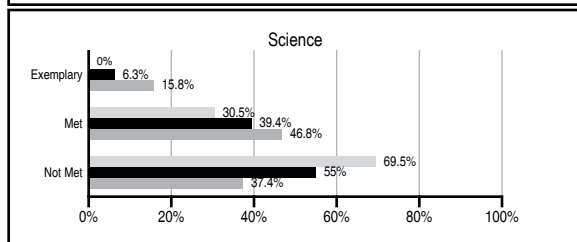
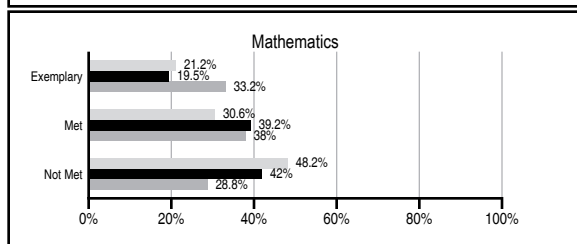
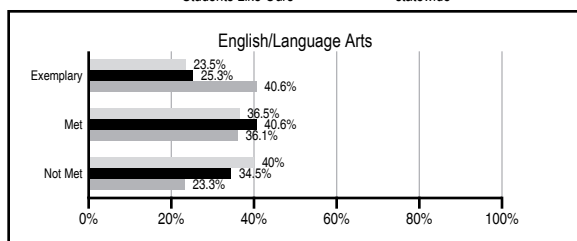
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	4	90	59	24

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

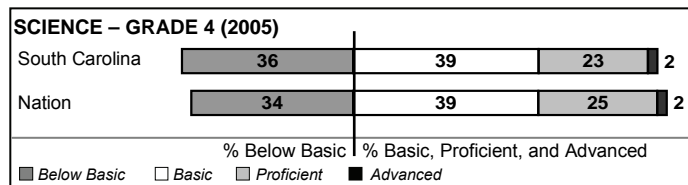
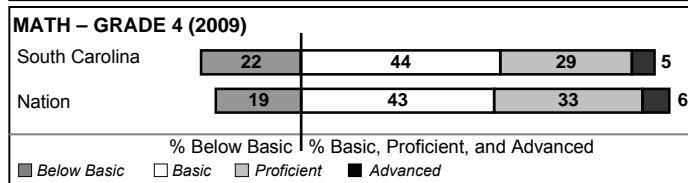
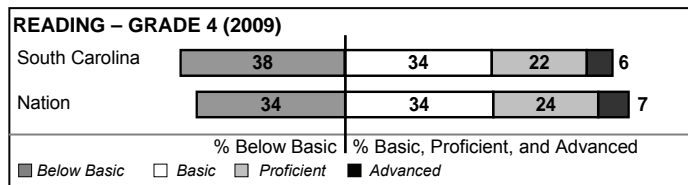
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:
By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=209)				
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 0.6%	1.5%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 95.2%	95.9%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	2.3%	Down from 4.0%	4.7%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	5.2%	Up from 3.6%	8.4%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.0%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=20)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	60.0%	Down from 61.1%	60.0%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	80.0%	Up from 66.7%	79.3%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.9%	Up from 75.2%	83.5%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	96.4%	Up from 95.2%	95.4%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,346	Up 1.5%	\$45,479	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	5.2%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	8.3 days	Down from 22.9 days	10.6 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 6.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	15.1 to 1	Up from 14.8 to 1	17.3 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.8%	Up from 89.8%	90.5%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	No	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$11,641	Up 0.6%	\$8,599	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.5%	Down from 59.1%	68.1%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	53.6%	Down from 54.1%	62.4%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	23	11
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	91.3%	70.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	91.3%	80.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	100.0%	81.8%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The faculty, students, and staff of St. James-Santee Elementary School have consistently strived for excellence in all facets of school life, from academics to sports, from the arts to technology, from academic competitions to citizenship. Despite our academic growth and successes, St. James-Santee Elementary students, parents, teachers, and administration sought ways to improve our entire program throughout the year in a quest for excellence.

St. James-Santee Elementary School is a rural school on the northern boundary of Charleston County. We are located in beautiful McClellanville, South Carolina, and we are surrounded by the Francis Marion National Forrest. Our school is known for its high-quality teachers, small class sizes, and ability to personalize learning to meet the needs of each individual student.

St. James-Santee Elementary School focuses on maintaining a professional collaborative culture and making data-based decisions to improve student achievement. Our school collected, correlated, and disaggregated data to make informed decisions about student achievement. More importantly, we took great pride in our small size and made every decision with the best interest of each individual student in mind.

We have worked diligently to provide opportunities for our students to be more engaged in reading, writing, and speaking. We successfully completed our first ever Reading Marathon as a method to reach the district's goal of each student reading 25 books per year.

Our school has begun implementing the PBIS model. Our students are prepared to be more responsible, respectful, reliable, and ready. This year we also added a comprehensive academic intervention program. Students who were ahead or below of their grade level academically were enrolled in a separate class to meet their particular academic needs.

St. James-Santee Elementary School has made solid academic progress over the past few years despite many challenges. We are confident that our student-centered and data-driven approach to student learning yielded strong results as indicated by this year's MAP testing.

Our school has always been committed to the students, families, and the community we serve. With growing and active parent organizations, we hope that all of our stakeholders will continue to be involved in the lives of our students as they reach for new heights in the coming years.

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Sydney Simmons, SIC Chair

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